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French Patent No. 2691106: The invention relates to an accessory suited to connect bundles of sheets.

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